

Then, according to the police report, Nelson went from trying to stop a murder to trying to stop a suicide when the assailant turned the knife on himself.

Nelson pointed to his training and the Air National Guard and previously in the Marine Corp as helping him talk the young man down.

By this time, several Wal-Mart employees had joined Nelson's effort. "When he handed me the knife, he turned like he was going to just leave," said Nelson. "We told him he needed to have a seat and wait for the police to arrive."

"It was the most surreal five minutes of my life while waiting for the police," said Nelson. He added that throughout the entire event, he was never scared.

"I just relied on all of the training I've had," he said.

This event was just another storied chapter in an almost Hollywoodesque life for Nelson. He's gone from working in coal mines, to the Marine Corp, back to the mines, and today, when he's not refining his flying skills, he serves in the West Virginia legislature as a delegate.

The former Liberty University student body president points to his grandfather for his love of flying and the Founding Fathers for his passion to serve his nation and state . . . When Nelson graduates Oct. 24, he will be serving like the Founding Fathers never dreamed as he flies C-130s around the globe for the WVANG's 130th Airlift Wing."

The first time I met Josh, I knew he was a smart, caring and capable young man. This is just one instance of Josh's outstanding service to the citizens of this country, whether in uniform or civilian clothes.

Mr. Speaker, in closing, I would like to recognize the heroism and selflessness exhibited by 2nd Lt. Joshua "Josh" Nelson, WVANG. He could have easily turned away, but he chose to become involved and save two lives, instead of one. I would also like to thank him for his service to the State of West Virginia and the United States of America. It is indeed an honor to call him friend and fellow West Virginian.

HONORING KIM BENNETT ON HER RETIREMENT

HON. LUKE MESSER

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 12, 2014

Mr. MESSER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor my Director of Constituent Services, Kim Bennett, as she prepares to retire from her two decades of public service.

Kim has served the State of Indiana and our country very capably throughout her career. She has headed our team's constituent services operation since my election last year. Kim helped get our district offices up and running so that residents of Indiana's Sixth Congressional District continued to receive the assistance they needed with the federal government, even during the congressional transition. I have heard from many of my constituents about how caring and professionally Kim has served them in matters involving a myriad of federal agencies.

She worked for my predecessor in Congress, Governor Mike Pence, for more than a decade, serving in various roles, including Deputy District Director, Director of Grants, and Director of Economic and Rural Develop-

ment. She also has coordinated the Sixth District Job Fair since 1997, an event which continues to this day. Kim also worked for Congressman David McIntosh as his Social Security caseworker from 1995 to 2001. Kim always went above and beyond in these various roles. She produced positive results to improve people's lives in a caring and compassionate manner.

Mr. Speaker, hiring Kim was one of the best decisions I made after my election to Congress. I learned very quickly that her stellar reputation among Hoosiers in the Sixth District was well-deserved after watching how diligently she worked on their behalf. I hope she knows how much she has meant to them and to me. I wish her and her husband, Robert, all the best as they embark on the next chapter of their lives.

INTRODUCING A RESOLUTION HONORING KAILASH SATYARTHI

HON. ALCEE L. HASTINGS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 12, 2014

Mr. HASTINGS of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to introduce a Resolution Congratulating and Honoring Kailash Satyarthi, Recipient of the 2014 Nobel Peace Prize.

I am also pleased to be joined by Representatives MCGOVERN, BROWN, WILSON, MEEKS, RANGEL, COHEN, SCOTT, and GABBARD in honoring 2014 Nobel Peace Prize recipient Kailash Satyarthi for his tireless efforts to combat child labor, forced servitude and human trafficking. In his 34 years as a children's rights advocate and social activist, Mr. Satyarthi has saved over 80,000 children from forced labor, has vigorously worked to call international attention to the scourge of same by spearheading global initiatives, and has been instrumental in launching local programs to teach trades to Indian youth and rescue girls sold into abusive forced marriages. His contributions to the protection of children's rights and the promotion of peace are deserving of recognition.

I welcome my colleagues in the House to join me in honoring and congratulating Kailash Satyarthi on receiving the 2014 Nobel Peace Prize by becoming a co-sponsor of this resolution.

HONORING THE STAFF OF MERRICK, INC.

HON. BETTY MCCOLLUM

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 12, 2014

Ms. MCCOLLUM. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to the staff of Merrick Incorporated, past and present, on the occasion of its 50th anniversary. Since this private, non-profit organization was founded in 1964, it has served as a shining example of leadership and progressive commitment to advancing the quality of life of those with intellectual or developmental disabilities.

Merrick Community Center first opened to serve fifteen young adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities to supplement the

services provided by public schools. As the center grew in size, the volunteers and staff members recognized that these young adults had an interest in working and many skills to offer employers. Merrick Community Center began working tirelessly to partner with businesses and clients to provide valuable employment opportunities for these young adults.

Since it was founded, Merrick Community Center and Daytime Activity Center has grown into a non-profit charitable corporation with two program sites. More than one hundred professional staff are dedicated to providing necessary support for over 375 adults with developmental and intellectual disabilities. As Merrick, Inc. has expanded, the community around them has also seen great advances and growth. Through day training and habilitation, adult day services and the Ticket-to-Work program, young adults at Merrick, Inc. build personal and professional relationships, actively engage in their communities, and lead more self-determined lives.

Mr. Speaker, during the last 50 years, Merrick, Inc. has worked towards improving the quality of life for every person who passes through their doors. The families and communities of Minnesota have been empowered and advanced as a result of this remarkable organization. In honor of the 50th anniversary of Merrick, it is a privilege to recognize the great work of the many dedicated employees, as well as those whose lives have been enriched through job skills and career training.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO THE HONORABLE SUE LANDSKE

HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 12, 2014

Mr. VISCLOSKY. Mr. Speaker, it is with tremendous gratitude and the highest respect that I take this time to honor a dear friend and one of Indiana's finest citizens, the Honorable Sue Landske, Indiana State Senator. During her many years of public service and because of her countless efforts toward improving the lives of her fellow Hoosiers, Sue has left an indelible mark as an outstanding public servant, and for this, she is to be commended. Senator Landske will be retiring at the end of this year.

Sue Landske pursued her education at Saint Joseph's College and Indiana University, followed by graduate studies at the University of Chicago. In the years to follow, Sue, through hard work and a spirit for public service, was elected Center Township Assessor in 1978. She was also elected Lake County Republican Vice Chair the same year and maintained that position until 1989, then again from 2001 to 2007. Senator Landske was first elected to the Indiana Legislature in 1984 and has selflessly represented the people of Indiana Senate District 6 for the last thirty years. Throughout her tenure as State Senator, Sue has consistently fought for the rights of the residents of her district and throughout Indiana. In particular, Senator Landske's legislative achievements include authoring Indiana's lemon law, which guards Hoosiers against the sale of defective vehicles, creating living will legislation, which gives Indiana residents better control over their future medical decisions, and spearheading the passage of a bill requiring all Indiana nursing homes to have fire

sprinklers throughout their facilities and smoke detectors in every patient's room. Senator Landske's record speaks for itself. She has passionately devoted herself to improving the lives of Hoosiers and to protecting the interests and well-being of Indiana's most vulnerable citizens. Highlighting her leadership in Northwest Indiana and the Indiana General Assembly, Sue has distinguished herself by serving as the Assistant Pro Tempore in the Indiana State Senate. She has also served on numerous legislative committees including the Tax and Fiscal Policy Committee, as a ranking member of the Civil Law Committee, and as chair of the Elections Committee. Along with her career as a State Senator, Sue is also a retired colonel in the Indiana National Guard and president and owner of All Golfcar, Incorporated.

Senator Landske's exemplary service has been rightfully recognized numerous times during her legislative career. In both 1980 and 1983, she was honored with the prestigious Sagamore of the Wabash for her service to the people of Indiana. Following this honor, Sue was awarded the title of Outstanding Republican Senator, as well as the accolade of Business and Professional Woman of the Year. Sue was also recognized as Lake County Republican of the Year in 1988, the Jaycees' Citizen of the Year in 1991, and was named Small Business Champion in 2000 by the National Federation of Independent Business.

Senator Landske's remarkable career is exceeded only by her devotion to her amazing family. Sue and her loving husband of fifty-seven years, Bill, have five children and seven grandchildren.

I have been truly fortunate to call Sue Landske my friend. Throughout the years, she has been an outstanding advocate for the community of Northwest Indiana, as well as for all Hoosiers. She epitomizes what it means to be a public servant, and for her selfless, lifelong commitment to the people of Indiana, she is worthy of the highest praise.

Mr. Speaker, I respectfully ask that you and my other distinguished colleagues join me in honoring Indiana State Senator Sue Landske for her lifetime of leadership and exceptional service to the people of Northwest Indiana and throughout the state. Senator Landske's impact will be evident for generations to come, and she serves as an inspiration to us all.

IN RECOGNITION OF ROBERT
HUGHES

HON. MARC A. VEASEY

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 12, 2014

Mr. VEASEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Robert Hughes, a man who broke incredible records in basketball while simultaneously overcoming tremendous obstacles. Robert Hughes paved the way for African American students to have the same opportunities as their counterparts and bridged the divides of a segregated community.

Robert Hughes was born on May 15, 1928, in Sapulpa, Oklahoma. He was the youngest of five brothers with a successful high school basketball career. After a tour in the U.S. Army during the Korean War, Hughes played

college basketball at Texas Southern University. In 1955, he was drafted to the Boston Celtics, but ended up playing for Marques Haynes' barnstorming team, the Harlem Magicians. During his time with the Harlem Magicians, he ruptured his Achilles tendon and began his legendary coaching career.

From 1958 to 1973, Hughes coached the Fort Worth I.M. Terrell High School basketball team, with an astonishing record of 378–84. During this time, I.M. Terrell was a segregated high school, placing the team in a specific division called the Prairie View Interscholastic League. The PVIL governed the Texas African American high schools. Hughes won three PVIL championships and came second in two more during his time at Terrell. In 1973, the desegregation of public schools would lead to the closing of Terrell and the beginning of Hughes' career at Fort Worth Dunbar High School.

Hughes remained at Fort Worth Dunbar until he retired in 2005 with an astonishing overall career record of 1,333–264. He had the most wins in the entire nation until recently when Leta Andrews passed his record. During his 47 seasons at Dunbar, Hughes brought his team to victory while changing the lives of thousands of students. As a coach, he broke the racial divide and bridged the gap between communities. For 50 years, the Southwest Conference denied entry to black high school athletes. Hughes navigated his way around these policies and created relationships with the Big Ten, Pacific 8 and Missouri Valley Conferences so that all of his players could be offered the same opportunities.

Dallas cinematographer, Ronald Nance and Lindell Singleton, producer of major feature films such as *Lone Star* and *Holy War*, are partnering to bring Robert Hughes' story to life in a feature-length documentary called *Relentless*, which will premiere in February 2015. The film will capture the incredible feats of Hughes and the impact that he had on the Texas basketball community.

In honor of Coach Robert Hughes, a pillar of the Fort Worth and Texas athletic community, this statement will be entered into the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Wednesday, November 12, 2014.

HONORING DR. GERALDINE B.
CHANNEY

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 12, 2014

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a remarkable public servant, Dr. Geraldine B. Chaney, M.D., who is a native of Mississippi. She was born into a family of nine children (six girls and three boys), with parents who stressed the importance of strong religious beliefs. Dr. Chaney's parents were not formally educated, but possessed a wealth of knowledge. They taught God first, family and education next.

Dr. Chaney chose to attend Tougaloo College and major in Biology and Chemistry. As tradition would have it, Dr. Chaney's brothers and sisters who had gone to college before her, went to school to become school teachers. All of that changed when she heard some of her classmates talking about going to med-

ical school. At that moment without telling anyone, Dr. Chaney closeted in her mind that she wanted to become a physician. She thought that her idea was a bit farfetched. She had never seen or known a black or white female physician.

However, Tougaloo offered unique experience. Dr. Chaney excelled in her studies and took the exam for entry into medical school. Her score was good enough to get her into her choice of four schools. She chose the University of Mississippi, because she wanted to practice in Mississippi.

Dr. Chaney entered medical school with only five other African Americans. There were five black males, and she was the only black female. It was a very grueling experience, but they all managed to finish. Dr. Chaney admits that she did better in medical school than in college. Probably because she really wanted to be a doctor. It was also important to her that the medical community get to know her and see what she was capable of doing.

When Dr. Chaney completed her residency in 1977, there was only one other black pediatrician in the Jackson area. She knew that she couldn't start a private practice right out of school, because she would be swamped by those looking for a black physician to care for their children. So, she spent the first ten years working at the clinic, the University Medical Center, with another physician, and volunteering. She also worked part-time in public health and consulting.

Dr. Chaney is one of the most prominent pediatricians in the state of Mississippi, serving patients of all races and nationalities.

Dr. Chaney is quick to point out that her husband played a huge part in her success. She left her salaried position at the Health Center to start her own business, and he stood with her 100%. When she began the practice, her earnings were only half of what she had made from the clinic and consulting. But, she knew that was only temporary. In her own words, "To build a business, there has to be some sacrifice." She and her family decided that they could make the sacrifice.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Dr. Geraldine B. Chaney for her dedication to serving others.

IN HONOR OF STEPHEN H.
ELMORE

HON. JUAN VARGAS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 12, 2014

Mr. VARGAS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Stephen H. Elmore who was posthumously selected as the 2014 Farmer of the Year by the Imperial County Farm Bureau and will be presented with the Tenth Annual Jim Kuhn Memorial Farmer of the Year Award as a tribute to his exemplary record of agricultural and community leadership.

Before passing away in 1999, Mr. Elmore was a distinguished agriculturalist who had half a century of experience in agriculture with The Elmore Company, Stephen H. Elmore Company, Desert Sky Farms and Echo II. Under his leadership, they grew numerous amounts of crops of all shapes and sizes such as sweet corn, sugar beets, tomatoes, wheat, onions, melons, potatoes and many more.